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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

**SUBJECT: Policy Statement on Release of Intelligence to
Contractors of USIB Organizations**

1. The attached memorandum and policy statement were drafted by the USIB Committee on Documentation (CODIB) for Intelligence Board consideration and approval. The memorandum recommends a modification in Board policy to permit the release of selected classified intelligence materials produced by one member agency to certain contractors of another member agency without referral to the originating agency. Tentative CODIB implementing instructions are also attached.

2. This matter will be placed on the agenda for an early USIB meeting, probably that of 10 November.

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Deputy Executive Secretary

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MEMORANDUM FOR : The Chairman
United States Intelligence Board

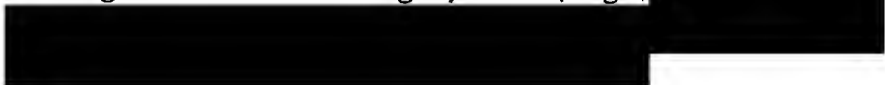
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1. This action paper contains a recommendation for USIB approval in paragraph 7 below. The paper is submitted to USIB pursuant to DCID 1/4, which directs the Committee on Documentation to ". . . promote means . . . for making . . . optimal use of information of intelligence value . . ." and ". . . to recommend policy to the Intelligence Board in the field of documentation . . ." (Paragraphs 2 and 3a, DCID 1/4).

2. The USIB Committee on Documentation recognizes that the limited resources of intelligence organizations of certain member agencies of the USIB have required the increasing use of contractual services as a means of accomplishing intelligence tasks. Existing security regulations (based on Executive Order 10501) prohibit the release of classified intelligence materials produced by one member agency to the contractors of another member agency without the consent of the originator.

3. The Committee has concluded that to perform the intelligence mission of member agencies of the USIB, selected classified intelligence materials originating in various agencies, must be released to the following types of contractors:

- a. Contractors actually operating parts of an agency's intelligence data handling system (e. g.,  25X1A

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- b. Contractors engaged in research and development of improved intelligence equipment and data handling systems (e. g., [REDACTED])

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- c. Contractors performing research for the purpose of producing finished or evaluated intelligence materials (e. g., contractors contributing to portions of the National Intelligence Survey).

- d. Contractors performing research and producing studies which are of intelligence interest to organizations of member agencies of USIB (e. g., [REDACTED])

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4. Unilateral agreements between agencies have been negotiated or proposed on an ad hoc basis pertaining to individual intelligence contractors, but the number of intelligence contractors employed by member agencies makes solution of this problem through unilateral arrangements unmanageable. Permission to release classified intelligence materials to intelligence contractors is obtained currently from the originator on a document-by-document basis. The administrative burdens of this method of release are beyond the capabilities of most of the agencies involved.

5. Please note that the USIB Committee on Security is now considering the revision of DCID 11/2; Control of Dissemination and Use of Intelligence and Intelligence Information. The present action is not in conflict with the work of that committee but related to it, and has been coordinated with it. On approval, the attached policy statement would therefore provide partial guidance to the Committee on Security in the revision of DCID 11/2.

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6. For your information, CODIB has attached (TAB B) the implementing instructions which it would issue if the recommended policy statement is approved.

7. Recommendation: That the USIB approve the draft policy statement set forth in TAB A.

S/ PAUL A. BOREL
Chairman
Committee on Documentation
United States Intelligence Board

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TAB A Policy Statement
TAB B CODIB Agreement

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